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DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant's amendment, filed 03/15/2011, is acknowledged.
2. Applicant's IDS, filed 03/15/2011, is acknowledged.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

3. The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

Applicant's statement regarding the deposit of the PD03003 hybridoma, filed 02/17/2011, is sufficient to overcome the previous rejection of claim 15 based upon the deposit of biological materials under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. Moreover, Applicant's amendment filed, 02/17/2011 and 03/15/2011, has obviated the previous rejections of the claims.

Accordingly, the claims drawn to 1-2, 8, 12, 15-16, 21-28, 30, 33 and 35-37, are deemed allowable.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Maher Haddad whose telephone number is (571) 272-0845. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. A message may be left on the examiner's voice mail service. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ram Shukla can be reached on (571) 272-0735. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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